# Family Assessment and Planning Team: Parent Representative

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#### Goal

Provide a parent perspective when addressing and assessing the strengths and needs of troubled and at-risk youth and families who are approved for referral to that team and for the purpose of identifying and determine the compliment of services required to meet those specific needs.

#### **Duties**

- Attend scheduled FAPT meetings.
- Take an active role in the development of individualized service plans for families.

## Qualifications

- Preference should be given to a parent of a consumer or former consumer of services from a public child serving agency.
- Must be a resident of the locality or community.
- Must have strong communications skills, well-versed and experienced in various issues as it relates to mental or physical special needs of a child or is willing to learn.
- Be confident and willing to speak out in large groups consisting of experts reviewing the cases to represent for the families of communities.
- Must be mature, compassionate, dependable, and empathetic and possess the ability to be a team member.
- Must be capable of remaining objective in emotionally charged situations. Must respect the beliefs and traditions of individuals coming from a wide variety of cultural, religious and ethnic backgrounds.

### Time Commitment

The first and second Wednesday of the month, from approximately 1pm until 5pm. Meetings can run beyond 5pm.

For more information, please contact the Warren County CSA Coordinator, Jessica Amankrah at 540-636-1604 x 316 or option 5. Parents interested in being considered for appointment to the FAPT, are requested to submit an application for citizen appointment as they relate to the criteria above, to Ms. Amankrah. FAPT representatives are appointed by the CPMT.